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A Picture for History.

A letter from Washington, N. G., gives an account of the desolation of that town, and the following description of a faithful old negro:

"One of the first things that strikes the visitor upon reaching Washington is the almost entire absence of negroes. I do not think there are over six in the entire corporation, very nearly all of whom are free persons. One of these—and a most remarkable man every way—is Abram Allen, concerning whom it is almost impossible to speak otherwise than in terms of extravagant eulogy. Abram was an old citizen, and a highly respectable one. He was reared with Badger and the Stanleys; possessed the highest intellectual qualities of any colored man I ever saw; and was a Southern patriot to the backbone. When the Yankees, under the application of the rule to "run the churches" as well as the Government, undertook to unite the colored church in Washington to the Connecticut Conference, they wanted to ordain Abram and make him pastor. But the heroic colored man told them that it was against the laws of his State for a colored man to preach, and he intended to keep the laws. They could not bribe or intimidate him. He stood to his colors. They carried away his wife and family, and left him solitary by his own hearth. But he remained true to the South. And when I visited Washington the first time, I found the brave old Christian colored man, like Old Mortality, busy among the graves of the old citizens, rubbing up and shutting in the desolated tombs of his departed friends. Let Abram live in story."

CHANGES.—Four years ago and to-day!—How striking is the contrast! The men, the women and children we used to meet upon our streets, how have they shifted their places in the great drama of life, and changed the aspect of the scene. Some have gone down in bloody shrouds to the martyr's tomb; some with broken hearts have followed; and some still linger to battle with the grief, toil and hardships of the world. War has made life like quick succeeding pictures of a panorama, whose shadows deepen while the hour rolls on. Fortune is fickle and Time is a despot. In the course of another ten years convert our children into men and women; the young into fathers and mothers; make and mar fortunes; and the last generation but one. Twenty years convert infants into lovers, fathers and mothers; decide men's fortunes and destructions; turn active men into crawling drivellers, and all preceding generations. Thirty years an active generation from senility; remaining beauties into grave old ladies; turn lovers into grand-fathers, and bury

the active generation or reduce them into decrepitude and imbecility. Forty years please change the face of all society. Infants are growing old; the bloom of youth and beauty has passed away; two active generations have been swept from the stage of life; names once cherished are forgotten; and unexpected candidates have started from the exhaustless womb of nature. Fifty years! Why should my desire affection from maturity for fifty years!—It is to behold a world of which we know nothing and to which we are unknown. It is to weep for the generations long gone by—for parents, for lovers, for children, for friends in the grave! It is, in a word, to behold the vanity of life in all the vanity of display.

Columbian Carolinian.

THE CAMDEN JOURNAL.

MONDAY MORNING, JAN. 2.

TO OUR PATRONS.—We send the *Tri-Weekly* paper to the subscribers of the *Daily Journal*. Persons not desirous of continuing their subscription will please signify the same by returning this number, with their names on the margin. *Tri-Weekly* \$10 for six months. *Weekly* \$10 per annum, payable in advance.

GEN. R. S. RIPLEY.—The *Courier* learns that this officer has been ordered to the army of Tennessee.

Official information has been received that a column of 5,000 of the enemy are on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, North of its crossing of the Mississippi Railroad.

THE CONVICT SOLDIERS.—It is stated that about one-half of the Convicts of the Georgia Penitentiary who were placed in the army under Gen. Wm. T. Wirtz, have deserted. The rest have acquitted themselves bravely.

We would call the attention of our readers to Mr. TUPPER'S Circular—an Act for the Relief of Soldiers Families and others. Owing to its great length, we are unable to furnish our usual variety of interesting matter.

THE OLD ISSUE.—Both Houses of Congress have passed a bill extending the time within which the old issue may be exchanged for the new under the act of 17th February 1864, until the 1st of July 1865. Holders can see that there is no necessity for sacrificing any of the old issue they may happen to have on hand.

EXCITING IF TRUE.—Information comes to us from Athens, says the *Chronicle & Sentinel*, that our scouts report that some ten thousand Yankees had made their appearance at Dalton, Ga.; with this view, it is thought of preventing Hood from retreating this way. We doubt whether there is any truth in the report, because in nine cases out of ten the reports of scouts are unreliable.

A GREAT IDEA!—RICHMOND, Dec. 27.—The *Enquirer*, of to-day, closes its leading editorial as follows: "If France and England will enter into a treaty with these Confederate States, recognizing our independence upon abolishing slavery in all the States, rather than continue the war, we should be prepared to urge that such a proposition would be favorably received and acted upon by these nations, and ought to be made to them."

GEN. STERLING PRICE.—In a special telegram to the *Meridian Clarion*, the death of this officer is reported. The *Selma* papers also mention the rumor, but as having been received from Meridian, and probably based on the *Clarion's* despatch. It is to be hoped that the report is untrue, as the country could ill afford to lose the services of this officer in the Trans-Mississippi Department, toward the redemption of which he has contributed so much.

SHERMAN DECLARAS HE IS GOING NORTH THROUGH SOUTH CAROLINA.—Gen. SHERMAN says he has been through Mississippi twice and through Georgia once. "The sun goes north on the 21st, and by that time I shall go North too." He says he will go through South Carolina, and leave awake behind him as marked as that which marks his path through Georgia, and that he will go through North Carolina also, Richmond being his destination.

FROM THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI.—DEATH OF MAJOR GEN. PRICE.—JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 19.—Major WATSON, just from Shreveport, reports the death of Maj. Gen. Price, at Drayton's Ferry, Lafayette county, Arkansas, on the 1st inst., of apoplexy.

The yellow fever has entirely subsided at Galveston and Houston.

Gen. KIRBY SMITH had impressed tobacco for the use of the army.

Everything was quiet in the Trans-Mississippi.

No Yankees south of the Arkansas river.

The condition of our army was fine—they are well clothed and fed.

FROM THE NORTH.—SHERMAN'S REPORT OF THE CAPTURE OF SAVANNAH—HIS CHRISTMAS GIFT TO LINCOLN.—RICHMOND, Dec. 28.—Northern papers of the 26th have been received.

Sherman's telegram to Lincoln, dated Savannah, 22d, reads:

"I wish to present you as a Christmas gift the City of Savannah, with one hundred and fifty heavy guns, plenty of ammunition, and about twenty-five thousand bales of cotton."

FOSTER sent a telegram to GRANT and HALLECK, in which he says that HARDER, anticipating an assault, escaped with the main body of his infantry and light artillery on the night of the 20th.

The rebels in the were blown up and the Navy Yard burned. The rest of the city remains intact, and contains about twenty thousand citizens, who are quiet and well disposed.

The captures includes eight hundred prisoners, one hundred and fifty guns, thirty locomotives in good order, one hundred and ninety cars, a large supply of ammunition and materials, three steamers, and 180 to three thousand bales of cotton, safely stored in warehouses.

Arrangements are being made to clear the channel of the river of all obstructions.

ONE OF LAMB'S BEST.—Lamb once commanded a company with an anecdote of Coleridge, which, without doubt, he hatched in his hoax loving brain. "I was," said he, "going from my house at Field, to the Fair in Horse-maneuvering, when I met Coleridge, who was to pay me a visit. He was brimming over with new idea, and in spite of my saying in that time was previous, he drew me within the gate of an unoccupied garden by the roadside, where, sheltered from observation by a hedge of evergreens, he took me by the button of my coat, and closing his eyes, commenced an quaint discourse, waving his right hand gesticulating as musical words flowed in an unbroken stream from his lips. I listened intently; but the talking clock recalled me to a sense of duty. I saw it was of no use to attempt to break away; so taking advantage of his absorption in his subject, and, with my own knife, quietly severing my button from my coat, I decamped. Five hours after passing the same garden, on my way home, I heard Coleridge's voice; and, on looking up, there he was with closed eyes, the button pinned to his coat, and right hand gesticulating as musical words were uttered. He had never noticed me."

ON THE WHIPPING-UP.—A negro slave indentured, and his master compelled to give him the distinction of the freedom of the House of Representatives. As A. C. was a dozen African slaves, was quickly making his way down the aisle in the direction of the Speaker's desk, as it is to a deliverance which he flourished in his hand, when suddenly he found himself in the strong grasp of the grim and vigilant doorkeeper, who, with an air which was eloquent of indignation, took the "citizen" by the nape of the neck, turned him round, and accelerated his steps in the direction of the door, giving him a sprig of about 2.40 on a shell. The intruder being repelled, and legislation kept pure at the fountain head, the old gentleman was now about to commence, "Silence in the galleries!" with a third ringing rap of his staff, when lo! as he looked up,

"Nods, and becks, and wreathed smiles Such as hang on Hebe's cheek, And love to live in dimple-beek, Sport that wrinkled care derides, And laughter holding both his sides, met his glance and melted his heart, and for the first time this session he smiled himself.—*Columbian Guardian.*

Notice.

OFFICE AGENT OF STATE,

CAMDEN, Dec. 27, 1864.

OR THE INFORMATION OF SLAVEHOLDERS in Division No. 2, it is stated that the call for labor to be delivered on the 10th January next is withdrawn.

R. B. JOHNSON,

Agent of State.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.



ADJT AND INSPECTOR-GEN'L'S OFFICE
COLUMBIA December 18, 1864.

SPECIAL ORDERS NO. 47.

1. THE APPRENTICES TO THE STATE MILITIA AT THE Academy will immediately report to Lieut. J. B. PATRICK, commanding Artillery Battalion, S. C., instead of Major J. B. White, commanding Battalion State Cadets, as heretofore ordered, and these orders apply to those who have already reported to Major White, as well as to those who have not. They will report to Lieut. Patrick, prepared to take the field.

If so much of Special Orders No. 20 as conflict with these orders is countermanded.

By order of the C. U. GARNETT, Adj't.

Dec. 23—2d Adj't and Inspector-General S. C.

Papers of State copy twice.

JUST RECEIVED

FINE DRIPPING COMBS, POCKET DO., Pearl Agate Buttons, Shoe Knives, Black Flax Thread, Fine Tooth Combs, Knitting Needles, Steel Pens, Pen Holders, 20 boxes Tobacco, Fine Flour, 80 grain green Bone Buttons, Metal Buttons, 40 doz Children's Stockings, Tack, 40 doz Socks, Red Pepper, Lady Peas, Sweet Potatoes, English Cotton Cards, 15 grains, plowed and sowed, 20,000 seedlings Writing Ink, etc.

S. A. BENJAMIN'S, m.w.f.

WANTED TO PURCHASE
ON THE USE OF THE CONFEDERATE STATES.—Sampson iron, wrought or cast, for which I will give iron in return, if preferred, will exchange for plantations, for the same. Planters or others may have the use to dispose of will inform me directly, as I wish to collect it together as speedily possible.

J. S. MERRIN, Vicksburg, Mississippi.

NOTICES TO HIRE.

SUBSCRIBER WILL HIRE THREE OR FOUR HORSES, TO AN APPROVED HIRER FOR THE YEAR 1865. ALSO, A 6-1 TWO-HORSE WAGON FOR SALE.

January 1—2, E. M. BROWN.

BY PURCHASE OF THE COURT OF ORDINANCE FOR Kinston District, I will sell at the pleasure of William A. Amerim, deed on payment sum in bank, the stock, provisions, Tool, etc., used of set plantation, consisting in part of 1,000 acres, one more and half, about thirty head of cattle, thirty head of sheep, lot of 1/4 acre, corn, Peas, etc., etc., with wagons, Plows, Hoes, etc. Terms to be known at sale.

J. D. KIRKPATRICK, Admt.

NOTICE.
A JUGENT CALL IS MADE ON THE FARMERS OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA FOR WAGONS for a few days. I must deliver at the Depot within eighty days. To 100 bushels of corn I have full power to impress—the corn must be delivered.

J. H. EVEREUX, Capt. and A. U. S.

Dec. 7—3d.

NOTICE.

PLANTERS ARE EARLY STYLING REQUESTED.

In their Tithes of Corn, Peas, Oats, Rye, Wheat, Oatmeal, Hay, and Sorgnuth, AT ONCE.

The stores are immediately needed.

J. JONES, Acct. T. K.

NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS HAVING DEMANDS AGAINST

the estate of the late Dr. Henry Caney, will

present them properly attested, and those indebted will make payment to John Caney.

MARY C. CANNEY, Administratrix.

Oct. 22.

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Further particulars apply.

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